

Remarks

The comments of the applicant below are each preceded by related comments of the examiner (in small, bold type).

3. Claims 3-8, 14-19 and 25-30 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The applicant thanks the examiner for indicating allowance of claims 3-8, 14-19, and 25-30 if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 3.

Claim 12 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 14.

Claim 23 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 25.

All the dependent claims are patentable for at least the same reasons as the claims on which they depend.

Canceled claims, if any, have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Any circumstance in which the applicant has addressed certain comments of the examiner does not mean that the applicant concedes other comments of the examiner. Any circumstance in which the applicant has made arguments for the patentability of some claims does not mean that there are not other good reasons for patentability of those claims and other claims. Any circumstance in which the applicant has amended or canceled a claim does not mean that the applicant concedes any of the examiner's positions with respect to that claim or other claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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